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In re application of

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Noriyuki NAKAOKA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/530,694

Group Art Unit: 1773

Confirmation No.: 3536

Examiner: K. Bernatz

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For: SEMI-HARD MAGNETIC MATERIAL, METHOD OF PRODUCING SAME, AND
MAGNETIC MARKER USING SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding rejection of June 5, 2002, please amend the above
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 8 and 9 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A method of producing a magnetic material having either a magnetized
state or a demagnetized state, comprising the steps of: preparing a multilayer body in which
layers 'A' each consist essentially of Fe having magnetism and layers 'B' each containing a
non-magnetic Cu group metal as the main component thereof are stacked on each other; heating
the multilayer body so that each of the layers 'B' is partially divided by a dividing heat
treatment; and applying a cold plastic working to the multilayer body.

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